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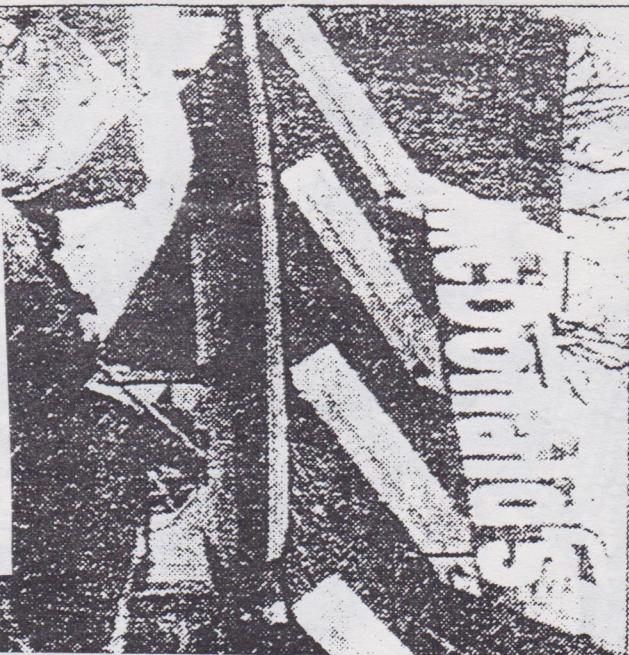
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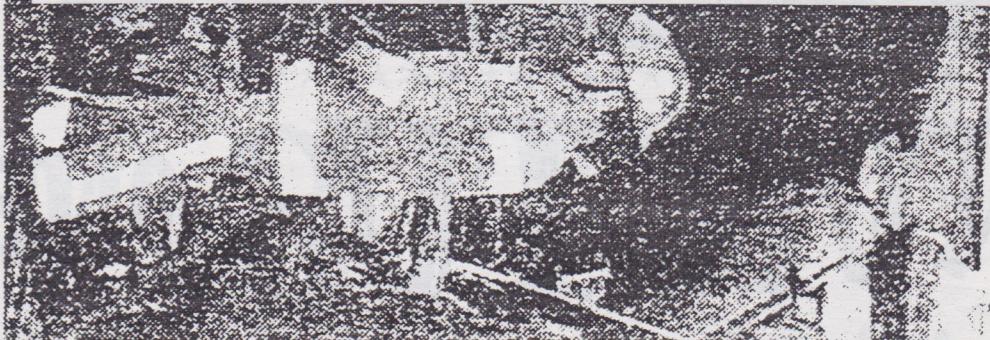
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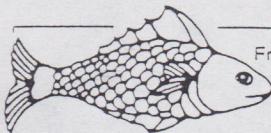
Can a four-year-old child exist on a bare minimum of food and not be retarded mentally because of a nutritional deficiency? . . .



It's spring, and here's #2, a follow up of the big let-down #1. No, it wasn't that. I actually ended up pretty happy with the final product, considering it was done entirely in a little under five hours. Hopefully you'll notice the difference. All of my good ideas are going into this one...well, I thought they were good. Once again, this is a Hardline publication in that Hardline is every part of me. But even though all of us Hardliners have the same goals in mind, it doesn't mean that my Hardline is the next person's. Blame this confusion on Jesse. Any questions? Ask me later. Issue #3 will be out for the summer, arriving and changing with Gaia's cycles.

This issue would have to be dedicated to Tina and Peta of Germany Hardline. I'm glad that we have touched each others lives. We welcome two new warriors to the struggle, and despite the distance, we fight side by side. Thank you for all the positive energy you've sent me air mail. Oh, and for the records too.





Frankenstein's Fish

The days of good trout fishing are over for Ted Williams -- because of genetic engineering. Here's what he writes.

Hatchery trout are everything real trout are not. They are selected not to consume living fauna but processed pellets, not to thrive amid clean gravel, rocks and brush, but in filthy, crowded cement troughs that wear away scales and fins. The flaglike dorsal, because it is on top, is the one fin that cannot be worn away. But hatchery trout attend to this themselves, nipping any dorsal in sight so that virtually all become fleshy, withered stumps. Walk along a wild trout stream and fish will streak for cover. Walk along a hatchery raceway and fish will streak to your side in the hope of getting fed. After years of inbreeding, hatchery trout tend to be deformed. Gill covers don't fit, jaws are bent, tails pinched. They are wriggling sausages flung to the public like gurry flung to gulls, and consumed as raucously.

And now researchers have perfected a technique to destroy genetic material with ultraviolet light. They can strip fish sperm of its single set of chromosomes, use it to fertilize eggs, knock the eggs to prevent the expulsion of the second set of female chromosomes, and produce fertile fish with two sets of the maternal chromosomes — clones.

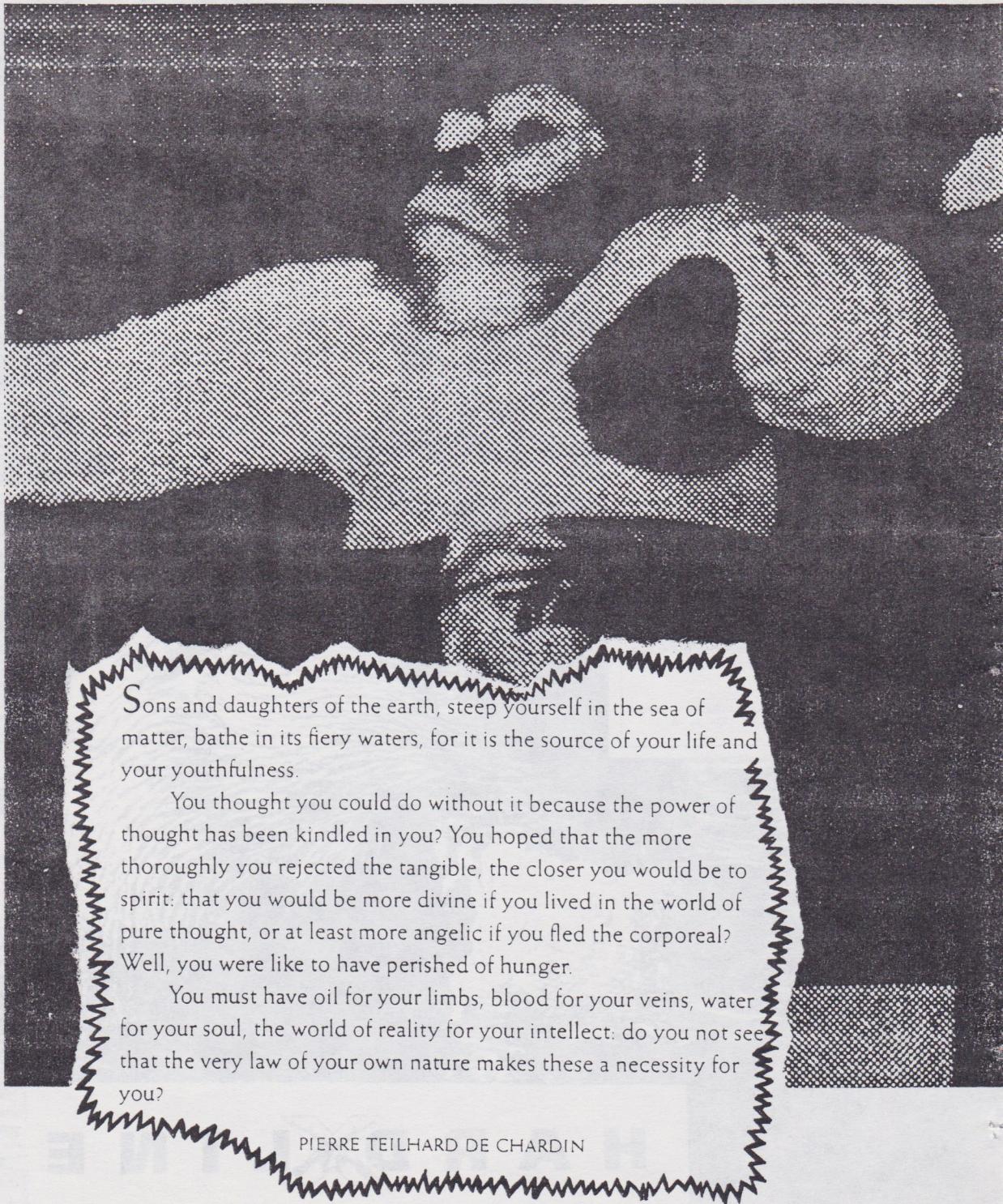
That is not the worst of it. Female salmon are being shot full of testosterone and transformed into males which, because they retain the genetic makeup of females, sire females only.

Excerpted from *Frankenstein's Fish*, Audubon Society's Almanac of the Environment (Putnam Books, N.Y., 1994) pg. 13.

O my brothers of the wilderness,
My little brothers,
For my necessities
I am about to kill you!
May the Master of Life who made you
In the form of the quarry
That the children may be fed,
Speedily provide you
Another house,
So there may be peace
Between me and thy spirit.

MARY AUSTIN

HARDLINE



Sons and daughters of the earth, steep yourself in the sea of matter, bathe in its fiery waters, for it is the source of your life and your youthfulness.

You thought you could do without it because the power of thought has been kindled in you? You hoped that the more thoroughly you rejected the tangible, the closer you would be to spirit: that you would be more divine if you lived in the world of pure thought, or at least more angelic if you fled the corporeal? Well, you were like to have perished of hunger.

You must have oil for your limbs, blood for your veins, water for your soul, the world of reality for your intellect: do you not see that the very law of your own nature makes these a necessity for you?

PIERRE TEILHARD DE CHARDIN

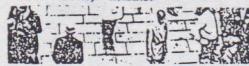


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VEGAN POWER

Dairy production and consumption is 100% unnatural. Period. Not only is the consumption of dairy products detrimental to human health; it is a process linked to ecological destruction of Mother Earth and is torture for the non-human animals exploited used in this inhumane practice.

The Myth- Female cows do not give milk year round. Most people are uneducated about dairy production in the sense of not knowing that female cows are forcefully impregnated (sound sort of like rape?) to produce milk. Many people seem to believe that female cows are able to give milk year round and that cows are native to North America. Cows originated from India. A lot of people are also not aware that the dairy industry is directly linked to the veal industry.

Veal- The veal industry gets all of their calves from the forcefully impregnated female cows that the dairy industry produces. All of the milk that was meant to be for the calves is stolen for human consumption. The veal industry which happens to be one of the most cruel, but legal practices in the U.S. (but is outlawed in England) is linked with the meat industry. A vegetarian who believes that they are an animal rights activist and a compassionate being but consumes dairy products should realize the hypocrisy they are a part of.

Ecological Destruction- Cows raised in grazing lands that are allowed to overgraze not only leads to desertification; it causes erosion of topsoil. The approximate amount of topsoil lost to date in the U.S. is 66%. The pollution of the U.S. groundwater supply is also increased because of the amount of animals used in dairy production. The average amount of water spared by a person following a vegan diet as opposed to a dairy-consuming vegetarian is approximately 900 gallons.

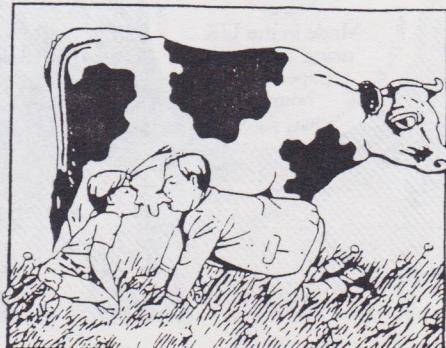
Health Risks- Cows' milk may contain a somewhat adequate amount of calcium, but the protein content in cows' milk is also high. When a human consumes too much protein, it deletes calcium out of their system; mostly through urination. Cows' milk is not only high in saturated fats, it has a high amount of cholesterol. Humans that consume an increased amount of saturated fats and cholesterol have an extremely higher chance of developing cancers and heart disease later in life. Plus, with the amount of grass consumed by cows used in dairy production, there are higher amounts of concentrated pesticide levels in their bodies. This can be attributed to higher risks of developing illnesses in humans.

Natural?- Human beings are the only mammals on this planet to consume another mammals milk (except in rare cases). Cows used in dairy production are fed or injected with hormones to increase milk production beyond average or natural limits. They are also overdosed with antibiotics to protect cows from disease and illness. Approximately 20% of all Caucasians and 80% of all people of African descent are lactose intolerant. They are not able to digest dairy products due to an absent enzyme in their bodies.

The bottom line is that: dairy production causes unnecessary suffering for innocent animals, it destroys the planet, and that it is unnatural for humans to consume cows' milk. If you consume dairy products, please consider veganism. There are plenty of alternatives to dairy products ranging from soy based milks, ice creams, and cheeses. Go vegan. If not for yourself, do it for the animals and for the Earth. If you would like more information on the dairy industry or veganism, send a SASE to: Indianapolis Hardline / P.O. Box 30373 / Indianapolis, IN. 46230-0373

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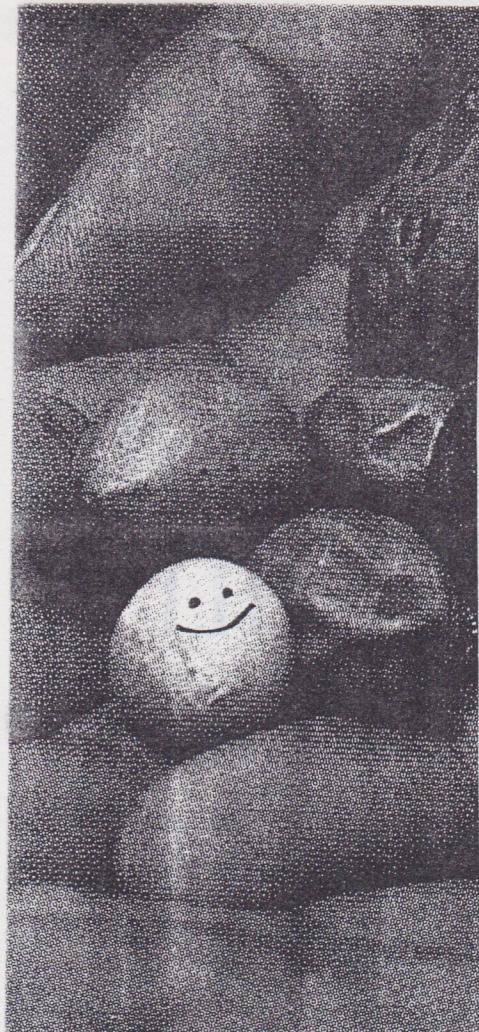
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Little Girl
Cries In A
Remote
Mountain
Village And
No One Hears Her...

Is She Any Less Hungry?

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今度こそ
愛おしい娘



行くわよ、
魔法の国へ



Here we go, diving into the schism. I don't care. I don't take anything back, been shit on to often, always apologizing. Everyone here has something (someone) to hide behind... self included. Tired of the subtle bigotry and the cowardice. Tired of half truths and hidden meanings. Lots of judgement. Self-appointed potentiates deeming who's fit and who is not. Someone setting standards who can't live up to them. Ask questions to get answers - yeah, reason is supposed to come w/ those opposable thumbs! Look at who you are, what you are becoming, and who's tagging along. Not too many of us will be here when you get back.



Pigs are our friends

Pigs mind their own business

Pigs have curly tails

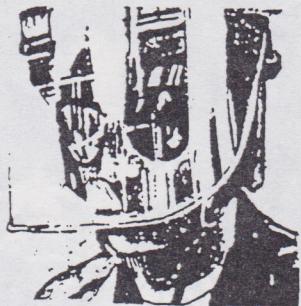
Pigs excrete un-self-consciously

Pigs are highly intelligent creatures

Pigs grunt with joy

Pigs are oppressed

Pigs are maligned by those in power



Cops are not

Cops do not

Cops have guns

Cops are anal

Cops are known to possess a certain small cunning but are not generally characterized as intelligent

Cops grunt with aggression

Cops oppress

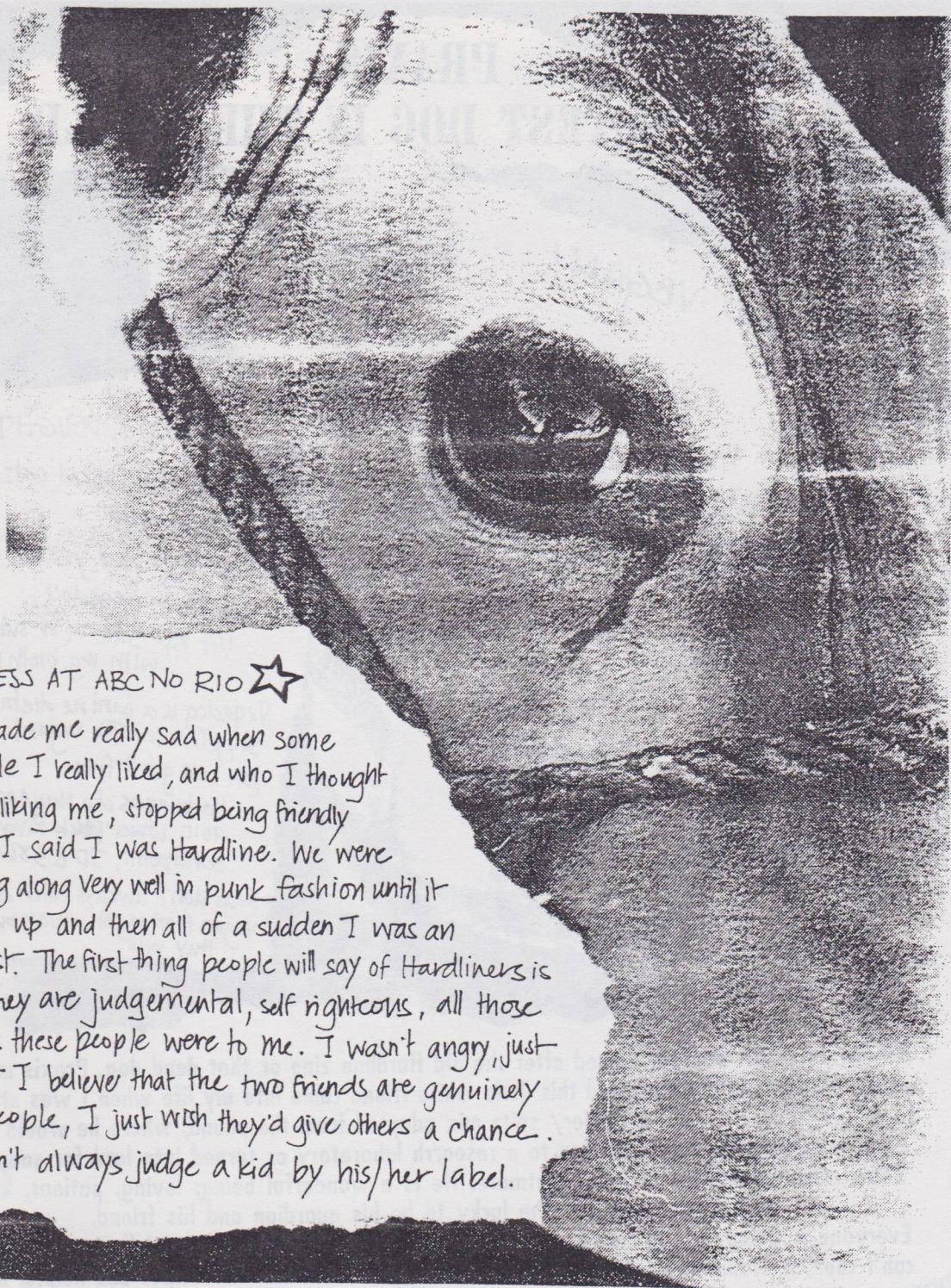
Cops are glorified by those in power

SO who are we really insulting?

Fascist pig, Imperialist pig, Capitalist pig, Male Chauvinist Pig... We label pigs with the most unappealing characteristics that human culture has ever produced, but WE put the pigs in those conditions in the first place. Pigs are consistently abused, tortured, raped, confined, and slaughtered because of the very structures they are so often identified with. They are victims, not aggressors. The last thing they need is to be associated with the police state. In a society founded on the oppression of all who do not possess heterosexuality, all who do not possess whiteness and maleness and wealth, how can we fail to recognize the oppression of those who simply lack humanness?

by P. bean





SADNESS AT ABC NO RIO

It made me really sad when some people I really liked, and who I thought were liking me, stopped being friendly when I said I was Hardline. We were getting along very well in punk fashion until it came up and then all of a sudden I was an outcast. The first thing people will say of Hardliners is that they are judgemental, self righteous, all those things these people were to me. I wasn't angry, just hurt. I believe that the two friends are genuinely nice people, I just wish they'd give others a chance. You can't always judge a kid by his/her label.

PRAXIS. THE CUTEST DOG IN THE WORLD

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dogs don't always catch onto vegan food right away, but they will.

NO, NO, NO, he was not named after the old Hardline zine or that dead dog. Praxis means putting thoughts into action, and this little white friend came into my life when I was starting to do just that. Praxis is a terrier/ spitz mix adopted from the pound, where he would have been euthanized and either taken to a research laboratory or turned into lard for soap, or some other animal by-product nightmare. He is a wonderful being; loving, patient, kind, and inherently good. I'm lucky to be his guardian and his friend.

Everyone is doing cookbooks nowadays, or spreading recipes around. Well since I REALLY can't cook, it would be best if I let someone like Praxis handle the recipes and helpful hints. He's much more practical than I am.

CASCADE DANCING

Come shake the earth with me
And dry the indigo tears
I feel you crying.

I sang a starsong
For you

And The Great Spirit
Stopped

And listened

And moved on
To give you strength
And watch over
His creation.
His gift to his lover and mother

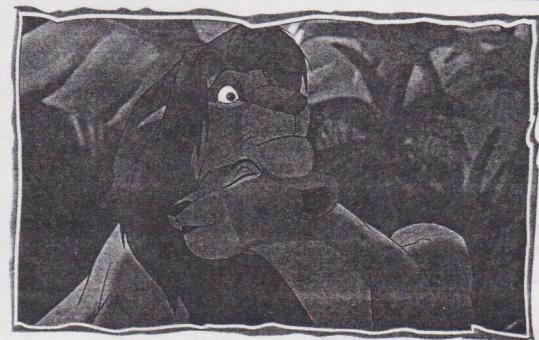
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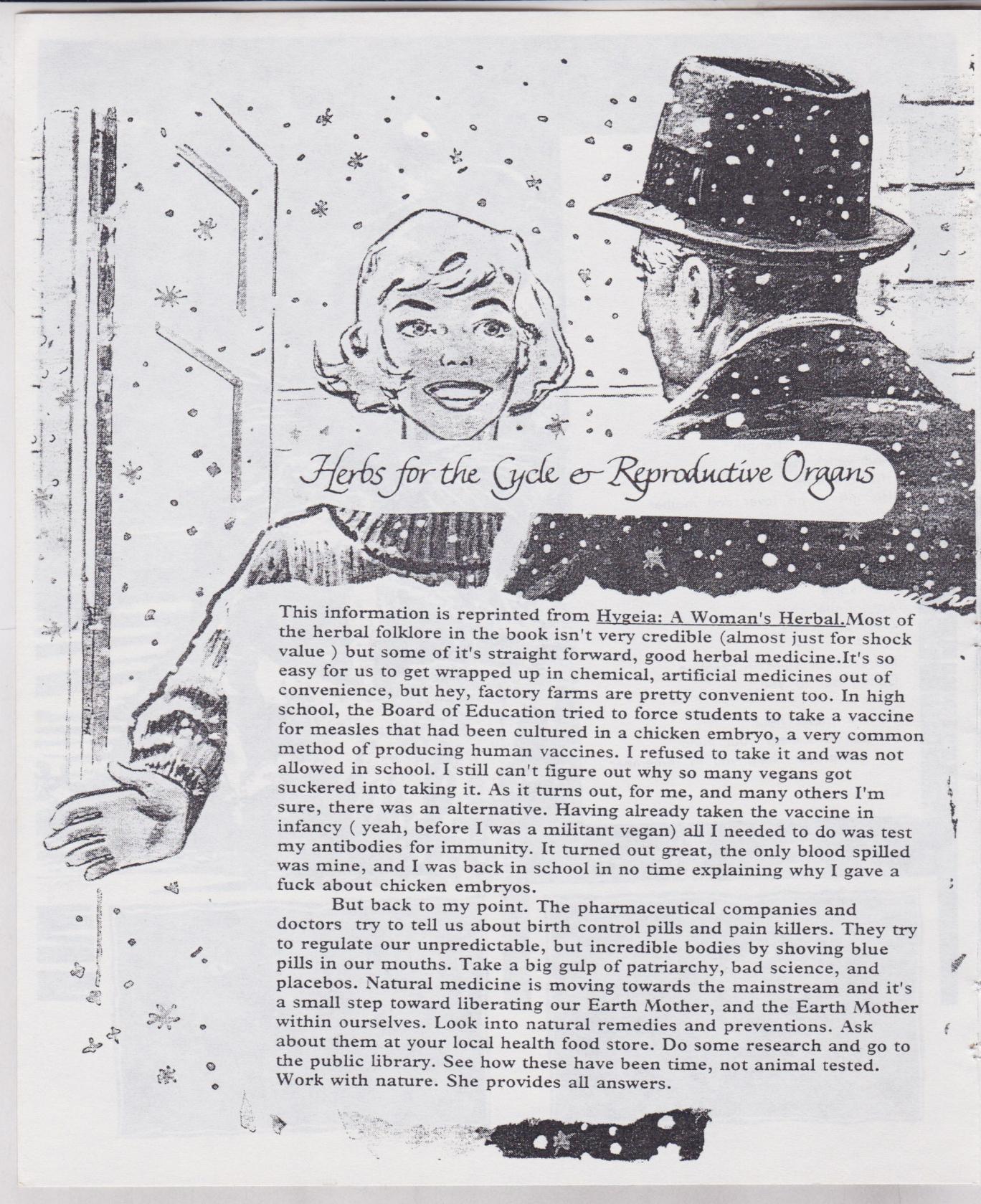
She joined me tonight.
Our voice
An infinite choir
Every bit of life

Every bit of spirit in creation
Called out to you.

Let our music heal.
Let our love clear your mind.
Let our prayers help you to remember

Liberation.





Herbs for the Cycle & Reproductive Organs

This information is reprinted from Hygeia: A Woman's Herbal. Most of the herbal folklore in the book isn't very credible (almost just for shock value) but some of it's straight forward, good herbal medicine. It's so easy for us to get wrapped up in chemical, artificial medicines out of convenience, but hey, factory farms are pretty convenient too. In high school, the Board of Education tried to force students to take a vaccine for measles that had been cultured in a chicken embryo, a very common method of producing human vaccines. I refused to take it and was not allowed in school. I still can't figure out why so many vegans got suckered into taking it. As it turns out, for me, and many others I'm sure, there was an alternative. Having already taken the vaccine in infancy (yeah, before I was a militant vegan) all I needed to do was test my antibodies for immunity. It turned out great, the only blood spilled was mine, and I was back in school in no time explaining why I gave a fuck about chicken embryos.

But back to my point. The pharmaceutical companies and doctors try to tell us about birth control pills and pain killers. They try to regulate our unpredictable, but incredible bodies by shoving blue pills in our mouths. Take a big gulp of patriarchy, bad science, and placebos. Natural medicine is moving towards the mainstream and it's a small step toward liberating our Earth Mother, and the Earth Mother within ourselves. Look into natural remedies and preventions. Ask about them at your local health food store. Do some research and go to the public library. See how these have been time, not animal tested. Work with nature. She provides all answers.

Acidophilus

Though not an herb, a useful remedy for yeast infections of the vagina. Use a pure acidophilus with apple cider vinegar, golden seal leaf, and sage. This makes a fine douching solution. We'll want to aid the friendly bacteria who live in our cunts to flourish again and douching, only when necessary with acidophilus is a good way to feed our guests.

Parsley

Petroselinum crispum. Legend has it that a woman should always sow parsley. If sown by a man, he must be honest or thoroughly wicked. In Lincolnshire, there's a belief that if a woman feels compulsive about planting parsley, she is going to have a baby. The Greeks held it sacred, saying it had sprung from the blood of Archemorus, the Hero. It contains much vitamin A and C, iron, iodine, manganese and copper. It is also used for the treatment of gonorhea and syphilis, says Kloss. "For female troubles, it's best to combine the leaves with equal parts of buchu, black haw, and cramp bark." Use the crushed leaves for swollen breasts or to dry up milk. I always have some growing around my front doorstep; all our children love to nibble at it, from crawling babes on up.



Valerian

Valeriana officinalis. A German folksong reminds women to wear this "conquering herb" in their waistbands. Very good for nervous complaints. Mixed with pennyroyal, it will sedate a worried woman awaiting menstruation. It can also be mixed with blue cohosh; make a strong tea and drink three times daily for 3 days. It's a proven remedy for hysteria and used for women's problems. A favorite of cats, the scent, however, is usually unpleasant to people. It will increase the menstrual flow. Albertus Magnus, in his "De Mirabilibus Mundi" reports valerian to induce harmony between husband and wife.

Black Cohosh

Cimicifuga racemosa "macrotyls". Used for pelvic disturbances, female complaints and all uterine troubles. Commonly known as "black snakeroot", she is used to bring on a menstrual flow that has been retarded by cold or exposure. Use the dried rhizome roots. Works on uterus to produce estrogene. Vogel. For the ovaries, also, and general womb trouble, says Kloss. Riva reports making a tea with a spoonful of this herb to a cup of water and sprinkling it about the room to prevent any evil spirit from entering. And for over 2,500 years, the Indians and Africans chewed the root to alleviate depression and calm nerves.

Wood Sorrel

Oxalis acetosella *Oxalidaceae*. Used for menstrual irregularities and diseases of the sexual glands, this herb was the original Shamrock of Ireland before the Dutch Clover claimed title. The American Indians used it "to put the north wind into their hooves", by feeding it to their horses.

Wormwood

Artemisia absinthium. "Old Woman". Kloss says this is good for chronic leukorrhea. One species was used by American Indian tribes in their sweat lodges and baths to treat the menstrual disorders of girls. Use with great care until you know how it affects you. Absinthe, a powerful narcotic, is banned all over the world. It is made from wormwood, anise oil and alcohol.

White Willow ~

~Black Willow

Salix alba, *Salix nigra*. The Indians use the long slender trees as teepee poles. The black willow is used as an anaphrodisiac, to curb sexual desire. The bark of white willow is used to treat menstrual irregularity.

Walnut

Juglans regia. "Black Walnut". Herman recommends its use in treating leucorrhea, as a douche or injection. The walnut seeds (nuts) contain almost as much protein as a sirloin steak. A spirit distilled from the fresh walnuts calms hysteria and stops the vomiting of one who is pregnant. As an infusion, it is used to check mammary secretions. So, I'd suggest nursing mothers not to use it unless they want to stop breastfeeding. See *Total Mothering*, appendix.

Bittersweet

Solanum dulcamara "nightshade". One of Circe's favorite herbs. It increases the menstrual flow, and is good for syphilis and gonorrhea. Place under a pillow, this herb aids in the forgetting of lost love.

Ginseng

Panax quinquefolia L. "Panag", "Osha", "American Ginseng", "Garantogen", "Man Root", "The Fountain of Youth Root", "Flower of Life". Many miraculous claims have been made on this herb. Especially used in hot, moist climates as a preventative to many diseases. The root word *panax* is the same as the Latin, *panacea*. Very exciting to the gonads, endocrine glands, especially the ones involved with regeneration. Has been used as an aphrodisiac. Chinese herbalists have said to me that *Dong Quai* is better for women than Ginseng and to avoid Ginseng when pregnant. But afterbirth, Chicana midwives give it to prevent any infection. "Tartar Root" as it's sometimes called, was used by Indians to prevent female conception.

Strawberry

Fragaria vesca. The leaves are a proven aid in preventing abortion and they also regulate faulty menstruation. The rash people sometimes develop when eating strawberries is a signal that excess acid in the system is being driven out through the skin faster than other channels of elimination. Information such as this has helped me to see the "allergy myth" in a healthy perspective. Being highly "allergic" as a child, I soon came to understand, via primal-type therapy, study of nutrition, LSD, yoga sadhana, and watching my own babies, that the allergy theory is one I need not live out anymore. The choice is always ours. Allergies "run" in families until we stop running from relationship.

Myrrh

Commiphora myrrha. This herb is written about on an Egyptian papyrus dated 2000 B.C. as well as in the Bible. It is good as a douche, with golden seal, for treating leukorrhea. It increases the circulation and number of white blood cells. It disinfects the genito-urinary mucous membranes. The ancients believed it to be the tears of Myrrah. There seems to be a connection between women's herbs and tears; our ability to cry is a gift, like the herbs given to us by the Mother to soothe our pains. The Jews used it in their sacred ointments with which the tabernacle was anointed. Also, as ordained by Jewish law, it was used for the purification of women. Myrrh was always burned in the temples of Iris, the Egyptian Goddess of Love.

Yarrow

Achillea millefolium L. "Milfoil", "Sneezewort". This was named after Achilles and brought to weddings to ensure at least 7 years of happiness to the couple. It's used for vaginal and menstrual troubles. It's especially good with mugwort and sage. If taken often, it promotes the menstrual flow. It is also used to check over profuse bleeding and womb problems. In the menopause, use yarrow as a decoction. In some countries, yarrow is used instead of hops to give sharpness to beer. The stalks are used when consulting the I Ching, the Chinese Book of Changes. I once was worried about the possibility of being pregnant. Michael and I had been practicing Karezza, or non-seminal intercourse, when passion got the best of us. We both experienced orgasmic ejaculation and I fell into blaming. "It's your fault", the loop that hangs up the free flow of being loving. So I meditated and consulted the I Ching. I read the changing line, "There's no fish in the tank. No blame." Sleeping with yarrow under a maiden's pillow would help bring her future husband to her in a dream. It's been used also to test fidelity in parts of England. The woman tickles the inside of her lover's nostril, and if it bleeds, he's faithful.

I'm currently involved in an air-mail argument with a boy in Belgium (I say boy, but I'm not sure how old he is) in fact all I do know about him is that he's Belgian, male, arrogant, hypocritical, apathetic, and close-minded. Ah well, I'm sure he feels the same for me. I don't mind continuing our relationship although everyone tells me it's pointless. It's kind of fun. The only thing that bothers me is that I have never received a personal letter from him (merely a reflection of his arrogance). I kicked things off a while ago with a response to his Blindfold interview in Clearpath zine, and his reply to my first letter was printed in his zine, Reminder#4, in his letters section. I kept my cool after reading his very insulting and self-righteous reply and wrote him again hoping for something warmer from my friend Wim, a little less distant. Now the ball

is in my court, and I've got my own "cute, little zine". We'll take it from there. This is Wim's Corner. It's all for you baby. It's longevity depends on your willingness to keep this little affair of ours public. If that's your objective, putting the big, bad Hardliner on the spot, we'll play it your way. I know how much you like submission...

hi Michelle,

Well, at least you wrote back. that is something i can't say about the krishna-guy, Gus. why are you so angry about every statement made against hardline was against you as well? you do identify totally with the movement, don't you? just as much as every attack against the iskcon was against Gus, because he identifies with it totally, in the same way i attacked you through attacking hardline. yes. if you identify yourself with a movement, you have to take the shit you get for it as well. i did not attack your personal, emotional abilities because i don't know you. i attacked the hardliners in you. you call me lazy and selfish. you say i 'sit and fester' in my apathy. how the fuck do you know? do you know me? do you know what i do? no, you just know me from my lyrics and my cute little zine. and if i am not allowed to point a finger at you because all i know about you is the hardline propaganda you spit out, then who are you to point a finger at anyone committing a sin towards the oh so holy hardline rules?

actually, i liked this letter much better than the previous one, because this one was more personal where the former one was just hardline propaganda. i mean, please read it again, it was written with a selfrighteous tongue all the way. that's why i wrote back using the hardest and most attacking language i could come up with.

there is one more thing i'd like to say right now and that is: whenever one disagrees with krishna stuff, one gets a reply like 'you didn't understand'. and here you are, at the hardline front, telling me exactly the same 'you didn't understand'. what does understanding the hardline philosophy mean to you? agreeing with it. sorry, i do not. maybe this new translation of sin and redemption is acceptable to you, if you think anybody who doesn't agree simply 'didn't understand', well then you are far off from being an open person. i simply do not agree with people who are anti-choice, who are homophobic and who are about 'if you are not with me then you are against me'.

looking forward to your reply,

原作・平野

●大好評

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DEATH

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ラーボーイ
むり人魚姫
NAR(幼年期)

原作・重馬

スポット
ラ屋ディンデンド
力勇者デルホイ
のプリンセス
にいるよ…

のコミック



Hello Wim,

Sorry it's been so long, I've moved, started a new full time job, and... oh, and I've done this zine. Well, I must say, you made my blood boil once more. Nothing really, just all of the parallels to me and a devotee, but after all, I did say that hardline was (is) that much a part of me. I think that my anger was a result of some growth I've been experiencing. I've been testing the boundaries of my spirituality and I've been able to put a lot of things into perspective. I can't believe I'm about to say this... You were right. I had no right to assume you are who you say you are. I should've known better. It's just so hard to identify a genuine personality when so many people just talk, talk, talk. But you know what? What else am I supposed to think? I'm lucky because Hardline defines my moral structure, and if one looks at Hardline (rationally) then they have a better understanding of who I am. The only holy Hardline rules I know of is the ugly truth of humanity that Hardline challenges. The lifestyle isn't for everyone, only the strong. (there's some more propaganda for you ☺) Like I said, I've made a lot of changes since that first letter, but I don't believe that I was self-righteous, just a little oversensitive. It was my first anti-Hardline confrontation. Thanks for being a punching bag. Well, please READ my zine. I can safely say that I support everything I've written, and this is an open window to me. Not too open though, I'm no X'd up 'ego' - oh, I mean 'emo' gal. As for the agree = understand confusion, I'd put money down that says you've never read Vanguard #1, or ever questioned the philosophy, only attacked it. Don't worry about it, you aren't the only one. Just about every vehement anti-Hardliner I've come across can't really even tell me why. Do you know why I am anti-abortion? Do you know why I have certain views of human sexuality? Please, just ask. Once again, sorry for the delay.

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夏は天地
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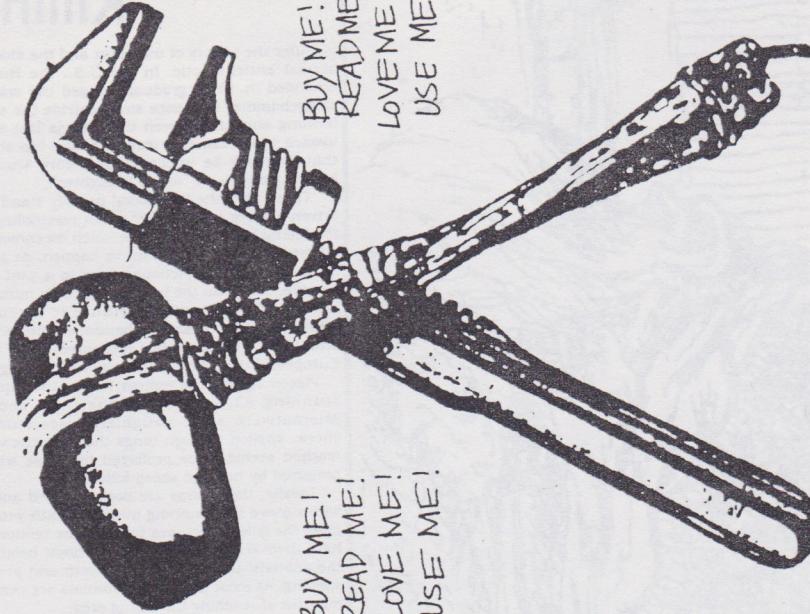
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what was in
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realize how
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I did ~~re~~(oops)
reveal. Any poem
not noted with
an author
was my own.

I don't want to
sell you a copy
of my journal.
This is who I am.

I believe in
praxis, hence
Hardline, but
Michelle's hidden
inside. 

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EARTH'S LIBERATION THROUGH A VEGAN REVOLUTION



Killing

After the terrors of transport and the stockyards, slaughtering can seem almost anticlimactic. In the U.S., the Humane Slaughter Act of 1958, amended in 1978, gradually ended the era of the brawny slugger with a sledgehammer who once stood astride the slaughterhouse ramp, pounding bawling animals between the eyes as fast as assistants could chase them toward him. Hammer stunning was too erratic to meet the requirement that livestock be unconscious before shackling and hoisting (except in kosher plants—see "Ritual Slaughter").

These days the "knockers" usually stand to one side with electric or air-driven captive bolt pistols, much resembling nail guns. The animals enter the killing area one at a time, often on conveyor ramps, and are usually not allowed to see what's about to happen. At some smaller plants, cattle may be in pain from injections of up to a pint of papain, a meat tenderizing enzyme, shot into the jugular vein only minutes before, so that the victims' last heartbeats will distribute it throughout their bodies. Larger meatpackers have largely abandoned this procedure, common in the 1960s and 1970s, as too labor intensive; and it will be banned outright in European Economic Community nations beginning in 1992.

Placed against the victims' heads, the captive bolt pistols achieve instant stunning 93.4 percent of the time, according to British research. Alternatively, some slaughterhouses stun with high-voltage electrical shock, applied through tongs that grip the victims' heads. The captive bolt method seems to be preferred by those who kill cattle; electroshock is preferred by hog and sheep killers.

Ideally, the victims are both stunned and killed at once. Most animals who survive the stunning bleed to death within 96 seconds, as "shackers" hook the felled carcasses through the tendons of one or both hind legs and haul them into the air to a convenient height for the "stickers," who slash the animals' throats, insuring death and preventing the meat from quickly spoiling. At most plants, the animals are completely decapitated within two minutes of reaching the killing area.

Hogs tend to die hardest. To insure that hogs are properly stunned before slaughter, a British slaughter reform law adopted in June 1990 requires that they be unconscious for at least three seconds before the slaughtering proceeds. However, humane investigators have reported that this requirement is widely ignored, and apparently some hogs are reviving in mid-kill. In the U.S., UFCW Local 1142 union officer William Buckholz in 1988 charged the John Morrell Co. plant in Sioux City, Iowa, with deliberately failing to kill pigs by electroshock, because a voltage high enough to kill also would "blow out their loins," i.e. cause them to defecate. There are also known cases of companies trying to save money by using underpowered captive bolt-firing cartridges, but in general, slaughterhouse killers try to be quickly effective—if not for the animals' sake, for their own, since an injured animal who revives can be extremely dangerous to handle.

Studying the psychological adaptations of slaughterhouse killers, livestock handling consultant Temple Grandin has estimated that about 70 percent become mechanistic and detached from their work; 20 percent become sadistic; and 10 percent try to maintain a humane attitude through treating slaughter as a sacred ritual. "Nobody should kill animals all the time," Grandin concludes. "Rotation helps prevent employees from becoming sadistic...Rotation every few hours between the kill chute and driving cattle up the chute makes it easier to maintain a humane attitude. It is also easier to maintain a good attitude in plants with a slower line speed. At 1,000 hogs an hour it is almost impossible to handle the hogs properly. The constant pressure to keep up with the line leads to abuse."

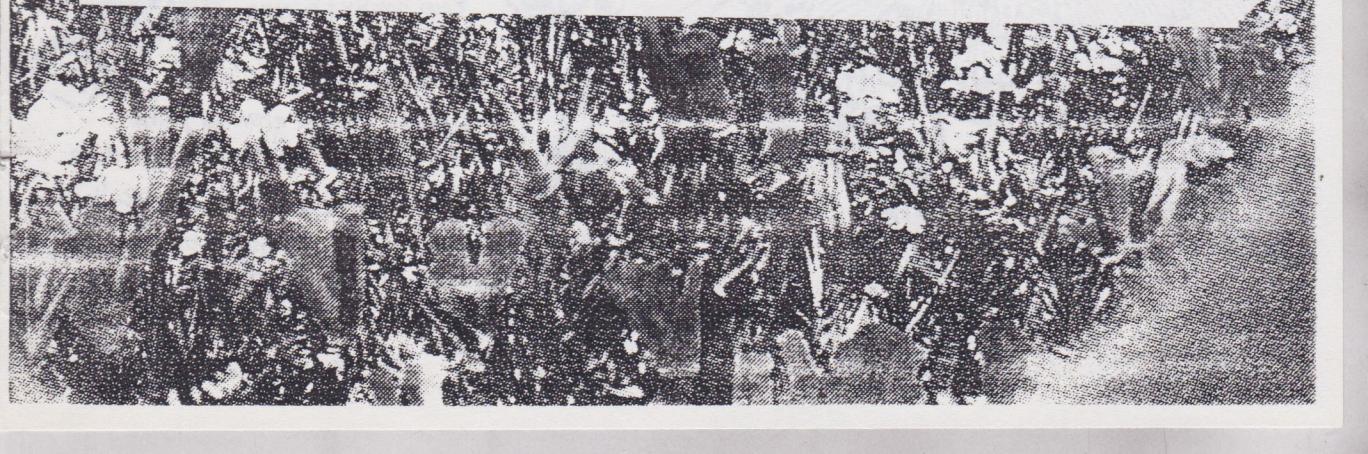
Despite Grandin's recommendations, however, the average U.S. livestock slaughterhouse line speed accelerated 22 percent during the 1980s.

—Merritt Clifton



For a really long time, my dream was to live in Alaska. I was going to use school as an excuse to go there, but then I realized that I didn't want to study from textbooks while I was there. I wanted to learn real lessons, from Nature. Life is different in Alaska. There I could walk out onto an ocean. I could climb Denali, the Great One. I could die walking out onto the tundra, and turning to face the wind. In the real Alaska life and people are different. There, Nature isn't some intangible force. There, Nature is not the enemy. Nature is master. Nature is God. She gives a lot of her resources and beauty, but she commands the harvest and the bounty. In fact my ideal Hardline commune would have to be somewhere there, a little northwest of Fairbanks. We would find a place with good, fertile ground for the growing season and lots and lots of open space, no fences (you have got to have room for all of the Hardline military training of course.). It will all be cross country skiing and solar power (those dark winters sure will be rough). I guess it would be Alaska, or some tiny, crazy island on the Equator, but then everyone else would die of skin cancer. There aren't enough non-white Hardliners yet to maintain a good size population for communal living in that climate. There isn't as big of a melanin issue in the Pacific Northwest, so Alaska it is. Imagine the sorrow at the first loss of a vegan warrior to a wandering polar bear. Did Dave say it, or Shane? Stand for justice/submit to Nature!

For a long time I had put my dreams away, even after my trip there. I met a boy in New Orleans. But a lot has happened since then, we broke up and I've regained direction and purpose. There are a lot of things I need to take care of before I leave the Lower 48. It could take years, it could take decades, but I am going back and I'll live out my prologue.



I think people just don't realize what they're doing. It's something I can't escape, much less not realize. Humanity is much crueler when your skin is a little darker, your lips a little fuller, your eyes a little more defined. I'm just going to say it... white people will never understand. Racism is more than a slogan or a bandwagon. Racism is a knife that stabs and slashes. It is painful and intense.

It is not just black and white.

It's black, white, brown, red, yellow.

It's about defiling beautiful people of all shades of beige. Most disturbing it's about destruction

of magic. Cultural, ancestral magic. I am earth bound, like



a tree. lied to those people decaying, turning to dust, taking with them my life, my magic. I only see it getting worse with children like me, second generation, mixed blood. Growing up in homogenous America, life seems it would be easy if you weren't so different, so unique and foreign. Alien. Swallow that native tongue, forget the folklore. You don't need it anymore.

Now you have Bobby and Sally White here to make wonderful fun of kung fu movies and kemosabe. And they'll do it all of your life, at your expense. They'll always make tasteless, classless jokes and never stop to think of what harm they might be doing to your self-image. So be strong while you are finding pride, because they will always be there with their ignorance. It's in their nature, to be afraid and hopeless.

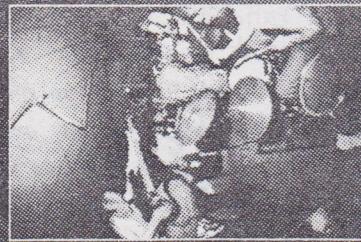
Keep fighting because you are a shoot pushing up through the mud.

To dredge through growing pains and grow back down again with deep roots. They stay foolish because they have nothing to be proud of.

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This ad is for Wim's band. You'll be getting a reply soon, I promise. I'm only printing this Blindfools - oh, I mean blindfold propaganda because I have an icon fetish, not because I like cocky Belgians! ☺ Wim's not such a bad guy. He's just a gen x baby, whine, whine, whine and he doesn't even know why. I love him still....

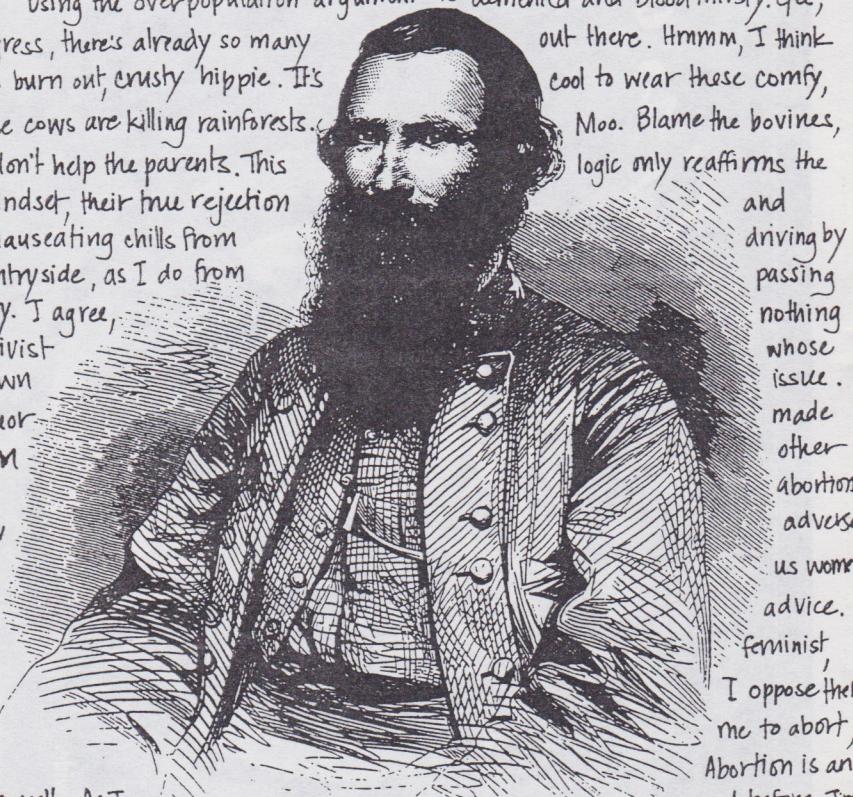


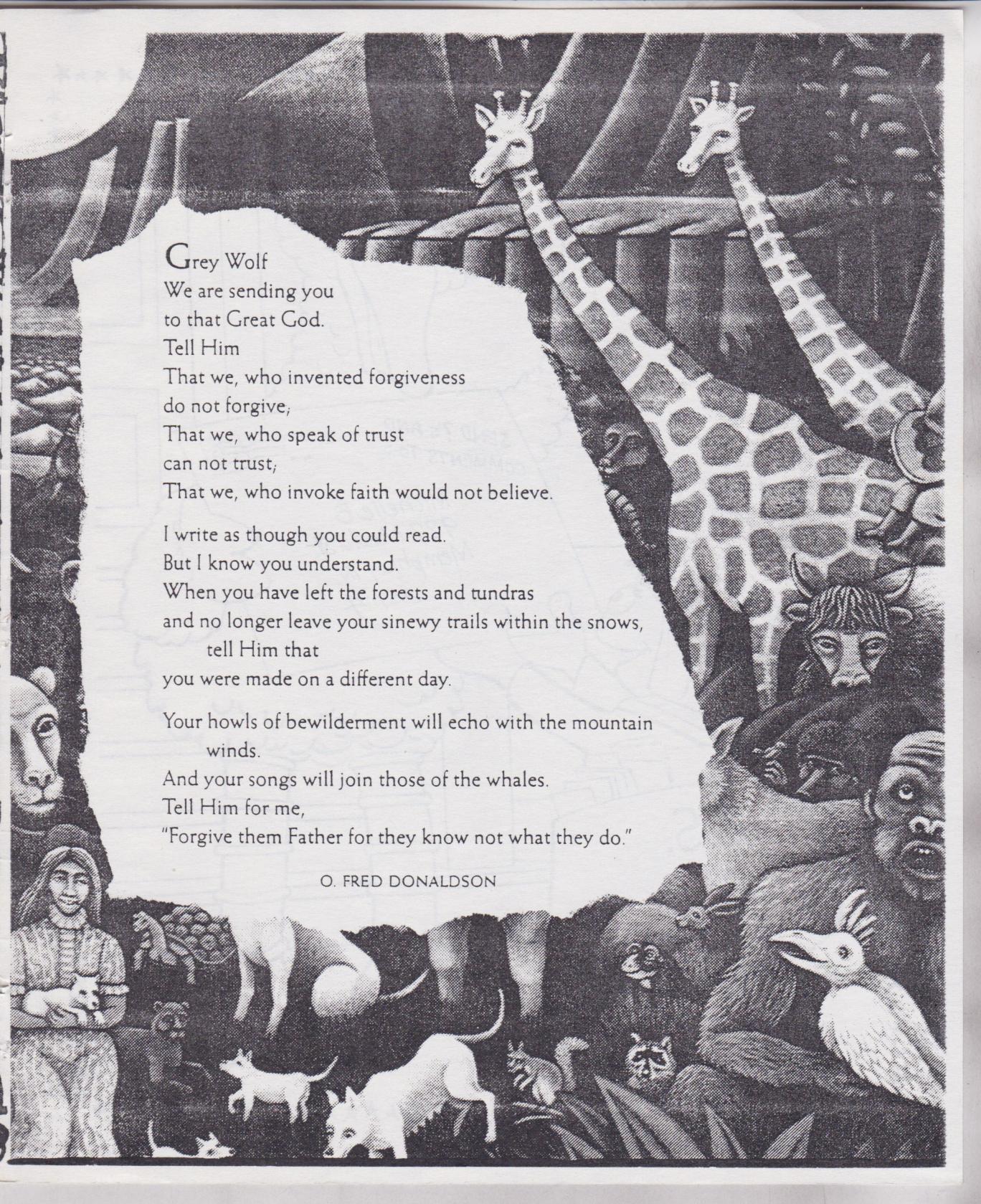
WHY PRO-CHOICE VEGANS SHOULDN'T ADVERTISE — in Kidney Room Fanzine No.4

Pro-choice is supposed to be about choice and SELF(ishness), so why push your opinions on anyone? Why advertise your rationale, why try to convert when that's something most pro-abortionists hold against the pro-life movement. Abortion is not a political issue, it's not about choice. The issue is a moral one, something people don't like to fess up to nowadays. It's not about Catholics or Baptists (or Hardline) it's what you believe to be right and wrong. I used to be pro-abortion until I finally tuned out all of the PC static that was telling me how I should live my life, so much smarter than everyone else. So mindlessly liberal. This article, "Why Pro-Life Vegans should be Pro-Choice" tried to say something new, but all it did was spit out the same old backwash they've been saying for years. Keep abortion safe and legal. For every Becky Bell, there is a girl who has died just as brutally at the hands of a legal abortion. Yes, there are risks in every surgery but there should never be death, only healing. Aborting a fetus is not like removing a tumor. Using the over-population argument is demented and blood thirsty. Gee, no harm in wiping out babies in progress, there's already so many I've heard that logic before from some burn out, crusty hippie. It's leather Birkenstocks b/c hey, all those cows are killing rainforests, not the industries. Punish the babies, don't help the parents. This pro-choice detached and apathetic mindset, their true rejection repulsion of Nature. I get the same nauseating chills from white washed factory farms in the countryside, as I do from abortion clinics in the middle of the city. I agree, infuriates me more than a so called activist vision extends no further than their own

The most disturbing rationale I've ever heard was trying to relate miscarriages (natural) in species to "women of color" having to avoid "social prejudices" / "extremely environmental conditions". Oh please, of color don't need your pity, or your As a woman (of color), as a proud as a vegan, as a potential abortion, vehemently. PC Patriarchy today tells/ making it hard to have children (\$!).

escape route encouraged by men. Oh well. As I not trying to make any converts, but when it comes to AR, keep your pro-death preaching to yourself. Don't condemn groups like Vegans for Life who bring the AR agenda to the mainstream pro-lifers. While they're out there reaching out to virgin ears, you're jacking off in the same old, tired Hardcore scene. So about the dissection of fetal pigs. I guess it's alright to abort those poor piggies. Spare them the heartbreak of this cold, cruel world of Berkeley bound saints and soapbox preachers chanting "sincerity", "empathy", "struggle".





Grey Wolf

We are sending you
to that Great God.

Tell Him

That we, who invented forgiveness
do not forgive;

That we, who speak of trust
can not trust;

That we, who invoke faith would not believe.

I write as though you could read.

But I know you understand.

When you have left the forests and tundras
and no longer leave your sinewy trails within the snows,
tell Him that

you were made on a different day.

Your howls of bewilderment will echo with the mountain
winds.

And your songs will join those of the whales.

Tell Him for me,

"Forgive them Father for they know not what they do."

O. FRED DONALDSON

